



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE PATENT APPLICATION OF: Bruce Hoff  
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ART UNIT : 1631 CONFIRMATION No.: 7234  
EXAMINER Marianne P. Allen  
FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GROUPING PROTEOMIC  
AND GENOMIC SAMPLES

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**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Request for Information mailed June 4, 2004 please consider the following remarks, beginning on page 2.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 033975 (Ref. No. 016472-0311714).